

REMARKS

Claims 1, 6, 9 and 10 are pending in this application, and all claims are rejected over the Examiner's formal objections to the specification.

First, the Examiner objects to the specification because the notation "SEQ. ID. NO:" has extraneous periods.

The notation has been changed to "SEQ ID NO:" at pages 7, 8 and 11 of the substitute specification.

Second, the Examiner objects to the specification because, in her opinion, Tris-HCl and Triton X-100 (on pages 17 and 22 of the specification, respectively) are trademarks that should be capitalized and accompanied by generic terminology.

As explained in our Amendment filed October 6, 2004, Tris-HCl is not a trademark. Nevertheless, Applicants have amended the substitute specification to include the full chemical name to avoid any confusion. The term "Triton X-100" has been changed to "TRITON™ X-100 Surfactant." The product information for TRITON™ X-100 is submitted herewith in support of the generic terminology.

Finally, the Examiner maintains the rejection under 35 USC § 112, first paragraph, because the specification has not been amended to include the date of the deposit and the address of the depository.

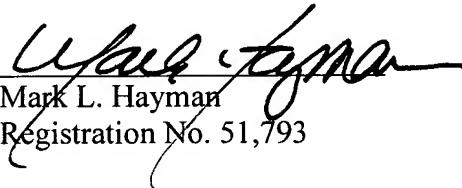
Page 16 of the specification has been amended to include the original deposit date of July 27, 2000, as well as the address of the depository.

Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
Application No. 10/089,678

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If the Examiner becomes aware of any other issues of a typographical or formal nature the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below for speedy resolution of the same.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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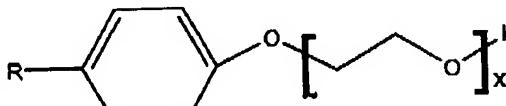
Product Information



DOW Surfactants

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TRITON™ X-100 Surfactant

Benefits <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Excellent detergent & oil-in-water emulsifier for many applications Excellent wetting agent Effective performance across a broad temperature range Readily biodegradable (OECD 301B & E) 	Applications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Detergent & wetting agent for hard surface cleaners, metal cleaners, paper production, and textile processing Wetting agent and dispersant for paints & coating systems Emulsifier & process aid for metalworking fluids, agrochemicals, and oilfield applications 																																										
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Solubility and Compatibility <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Soluble in water Miscible in most polar organic solvents & aromatic hydrocarbons Insoluble in aliphatic hydrocarbons Chemically stable most acidic & alkaline solutions Compatible with anionic, cationic, and other nonionic surfactants 	Chemical Description Name: Octylphenol ethoxylate Surfactant Type: Nonionic  R = octyl (C8) x = 9.5 (avg)																																										

Additional product information and performance data is available by requesting datasheets that are listed on the backside of this page.

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- DOW Specialty Surfactants Reference Chart, 119-01491
- TRITON & TERGITOL Surfactants for Household, Industrial & Institutional Cleaning CD, 119-01465-0501
- TRITON & TERGITOL Surfactants for Agrochemical Applications CD, 119-01540
- TRITON & TERGITOL Surfactants for Paint, Coatings, Adhesives, Stabilizers & Emulsion Polymerization CD, 119-01536
- Contact DOW Customer Service for current listing on conformance of TRITON Surfactants with U.S. FDA and EPA Regulations

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